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Applicants: S. R. Mannava et al.)
Serial No: 10/791,576) Group Art Unit: 1725
Filed: 03/02/2004) Examiner:
For: LOWER FLUENCE BOUNDARY) Samuel M. Heinrich
OBLIQUE LASER SHOCK PEENING)

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Alexandria, VA 22313

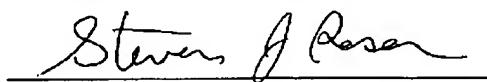
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed November 29, 2005,
please enter the following election:

Restriction Requirement

1. The Examiner's Restriction Requirement is hereby
acknowledged and the Applicants elect to prosecute the
invention of Group I which includes Claims 1-24.

Respectfully submitted,



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